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**CELEBRATE THE GRAND OPENING OF THE PENNSY TRAIL!  
*BIKE, RUN, OR WALK ON THE CITY'S NEWEST GREENWAY THIS SATURDAY***

INDIANAPOLIS – (Sept. 24, 2009) Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard will join members of the Irvington community in celebrating the grand opening of the Pennsy Trail at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009.

Indy Parks & Recreation received a \$900,000 grant to construct a portion of the Pennsy Trail project on the City's Eastside as part of Gov. Mitch Daniels' \$19 million trail initiative for the State of Indiana. This 1.2-mile segment of the trail corridor is between Arlington Avenue and Shortridge Road and utilizes the existing infrastructure of the Shadeland Avenue rail bridge overpass preserved from demolition by INDOT specifically for this use.

A full assembly of Irvington Community School students joined Mayor Ballard, Department of Natural Resources Deputy Director Charlie White, Indy Parks & Recreation, and the Indianapolis Parks Foundation in breaking ground on the Pennsy Trail on Nov. 13, 2008, at Irvington Community Elementary School.

Bike, run or walk to the Pennsy Trail Grand Opening this Saturday to experience Indianapolis' newest greenway!

**WHO:** Mayor Gregory A. Ballard, Indy Parks Director Stuart Lowry, DNR Deputy Director Jon Vanator, City-County Councilor Ben Hunter, Irvington Development Organization Corridor Development Director Amandula Henry

**WHAT:** Pennsy Trail Grand Opening

**WHERE:** On the Pennsy Trail at the Shadeland Avenue overpass (see map below)

**WHEN:** 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009

